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In re Patent No. 7,510,855 Issued: March 31, 2009

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: DECISION ON REQUEST

: FOR RECONSIDERATION

: OF PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT

AND

: NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE : CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

This is a decision on the APPLICATION FOR PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.705 filed on May 29, 2009, requesting that the patent term adjustment indicated on the above-identified patent be corrected from 801 days to 1312 days.

The petition to correct the patent term adjustment indicated on the above-identified patent to indicate that the term of the above-identified patent is extended or adjusted by one thousand four hundred fifty-eight (1458) days is **GRANTED to the extent indicated herein**.

As the period from the filing date of the request for continued examination (RCE) to the issue date of the patent is not included in the "B" delay period, the over three year period begins on January 26, 2004 and ends on November 2, 2006, the day before the RCE was filed, and the B delay considering the 142 days of overlap is 1011 days. See 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(B)(i). Non-overlapping B delay is 869 days.

Additionally, Applicant argues that a corrected Appeal Brief in response to a March 18, 2008 Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief was filed 103 days later on June 18, 2008 and thus that 103 days applicant delay should have been entered in accordance with 35 USC 154(b)(2)(C)(ii) and 37 CFR 1.704(b)¹.

¹³⁷ CFR 1.704(b) provides that:

Applicant is advised that the filing of an appeal brief is not a reply within the meaning of the rule and as such, the correction of an appeal brief is not a failure to engage.

As such, the patent term adjustment is 1458 (883 "A delay" days, plus 869 "B delay" days, minus 294 applicant delay days) not 1312.

The Office acknowledges submission of the \$200.00 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(e). No additional fees are required.

The Office will sua sponte issue a certificate of correction. Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.322, the Office will not issue a certificate of correction without first providing assignee or patentee an opportunity to be heard. Accordingly, patentees are given **one (1) month or thirty (30) days**, whichever is longer, from the mail date of this decision to respond. No extensions of time will be granted under § 1.136.

The application is being forwarded to the Certificates of Branch for issuance of a certificate of correction. The Office will issue a certificate of correction indicating that the term of the above-identified patent is extended or adjusted by **one thousand four hundred fifty-eight (1458)** days.

Telephone inquiries specific to this decision should be directed to the undersigned

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Enclosure: Copy of DRAFT Certificate of Correction

DRAFT UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE **CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

PATENT

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: March 31, 2009

INVENTOR(S): Aya Jakobovits

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

On the cover page,

Subject to any disclaimer, the term of this patent is extended or adjusted [*] Notice: under 35 USC 154(b) by (801) days

Delete the phrase "by 801 days" and insert – by 1458 days--